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ARRANGEMENT

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COMMENTS ON THE REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The Examiner states that "the application as amended specifically recites a majority of contacts configured in a specific portion comprised in the chip package device itself, not a circuit board. This, in combination with all the specific language in the claims, makes up a device that is neither obvious nor anticipated by the prior art of record."

Applicant respectfully points out that the claims are not limited to a "chip package device", but rather are drawn to an integrated circuit package device. Moreover, no implication should be made about whether similar claims drawn to a circuit board are patentable from the Examiner's statement, or from Applicant's withdrawal of the claims. Applicant believes that the claims drawn to the circuit board are no less patentable than the allowed claims because nothing the prior art of record discloses, teaches or suggests the claimed proportion of contact points in a circuit board. Further the claims are not patentably distinct. Nevertheless, Applicant has

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withdrawn the claims to the circuit board to solely expedite the issuance of a patent with the allowed claims and with the intent of pursuing the withdrawn claims in a divisional application.

Applicant also notes a misprint in the listing of claims filed with the Amendment and Response dated June 3, 2003. Claim 4 was inadvertently listed as cancelled and claim 13 was inadvertently listed as retained. Claim 4 should be retained and allowed and claim 13 should be cancelled. The allowed claims, as confirmed in the remarks section of the Amendment and Response are 1-4, 10, 12, 15-19, and 25-27.

Respectfully submitted,

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